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1. In early June 1953 a group of Soviet technical advisers inspected Chiehyang (N 23-22, E 116-20) and adjacent areas. They planned to establish a tungsten smelting factory at Put'ienhsu (? /3944/1074) in the fourth district of Chiehyang. They also planned to open a small canal from Put'ienhsu to Jungchiang (2827/3068) to facilitate transportation.
2. In the fall of 1952 a control bureau for color metals was established at Meipei (2734/0554), Chiehyang, and a tungsten smelting plant at P'ai-pienhsu (3654/6708/1074). A Cantonese was in charge of the bureau. The four mining areas under this administration were Hsiaching (0007/1777), Lintsuch'ih (2651/0098/3069), Ch'ihlingshan (6375/1545/1472), and Ch'ip'anliao (2759/4449/1402). On 1 August 1953 production at the mines was to be increased. Laborers at the mines received JMP 5,000 per day.

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[REDACTED] in June 1953 much of the same area mentioned in this report including Ch'ip'anliao, Lintsuch'ih, Hsiaching and the Fourth District of Chiehyang was being exploited for tin mining. [REDACTED] in June 1952 the Color Metal Administration Bureau of the Central and South China Administrative Committee had sent a surveying team accompanied by Soviet technicians to survey these areas and to prepare to open the tin mines. Subsequently, in January 1953, a Bureau of mines and a metal refinery plant were established in Mei Pei County for exploitation of the tin mines. Two Soviet technicians were stationed at the plant and were responsible for conducting the survey of tin ore.

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